



21st October 2014

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to inform you that the school received a letter from the Department for Education regarding the recent high standard of achievement in this year's phonics check.

Children are checked at the end of Year 1 for their ability to decode, segment and blend a range of words. These 40 words focus on the different phonic knowledge the children should have acquired by the end of Year 1. Last year 100% of our children met the expected standard and this places the school in the top 2% of all schools within the country.

The school has worked incredibly hard to ensure that pupils are taught daily phonics to a high standard in a lively, fun yet engaging manner. Our children are certainly reaping the rewards of this by developing a love of reading from an early age, with fantastic levels of success across the curriculum and beyond.

We hope that you are as proud of this achievement as we are and know that you will continue to support us further by reading at home with your child as often as possible. Reading is an important life skill and one that unlocks a world of opportunities to our children. By reading with your child, you are ensuring that the phonics teaching being carried out in school is then followed up and consolidated at home.

A copy of the actual letter has been placed on the school website for your perusal.

Yours sincerely

S. Eden

Sam Eden
Headteacher